OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WASHINGTON

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Mr. Allen W. Dulles Sullivan and Cromwell 48 Wall Street New York, New York

Dear Allen:

I am sorry that you were so rushed before leaving yesterday as I wanted to find out from you whether you had any particular questions you wanted me to pursue as a result of your talks yesterday morning after you left my office. Do you feel that something more needs to be done in order to make more rapid progress toward filling in that outline for "Q" Building which I showed you some time ago?

I hope that Bill has been in touch with you to report on Forrestal's rather sharp comment to me regarding one of the names referred to at the meeting in Forrestal's office on Wednesday. My impression after I talked to Forrestal was that we may have lost some ground, and in order to regain it should come forward as quickly as possible.

Yesterday afternoon, during a talk with Carter Clarke he volunteered the names of two persons which I received without comment. They are Ernest W. Gibson, Governor of Vermont, who was in G-2 during the war, and Ben Shute of the Cravath firm. I do not know either man.

Incidentally, it seems to be pretty well agreed that the article in Sunday's Times Herald was inspired if not written by Peter Vischer.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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